REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-22 stand rejected.

Claim 1 has been amended.

Rejection of Claims - 35 USC 103

The examiner is much appreciated for the thoughtful examination. The claims 1- 22 being rejected are due to following reasons:-

Claims 1-3, 5-6, 8, 9, 13,16-18 and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) being un-patentable due to Suzuki (US 6,612,488 of the record), Piosenka et al (US 4,993,068), & Schneier et al (US 5,768,382).

Claims 4 and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) being un-patentable due to Suzuki (US 6,612,488 of the record), Piosenka et al (US 4,993,068), Schneier et al (US 5,768,382), Simonds (US 2002/0023027, of the record) & Simonds (US 2002/0023027).

Claim 10 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) being un-patentable due to Suzuki (US 6,612,488 of the record), Piosenka et al (US 4,993,068), Schneier et al (US 5,768,382), Simonds (US 2002/0023027, of the record) & Barnes (US 5,465,386).

Claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) being un-patentable due to Suzuki (US 6,612,488 of the record), Piosenka et al (US 4,993,068), Schneier et al (US 5,768,382), Simonds (US 2002/0023027, of the record) & Zele et al (US 5,734,975).

Claim 13 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) being un-patentable due to Suzuki (US 6,612,488 of the record), Piosenka et al (US 4,993,068), Schneier et al (US 5,768,382), Simonds (US 2002/0023027, of the record) & Chesarek et al (US 4,386,266 of the record).

Claim 14 and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) being un-patentable due to Suzuki (US 6,612,488 of the record), Piosenka et al (US 4,993,068), Schneier et al (US 5,768,382), Simonds (US 2002/0023027, of the record) & Zhou et al (US 5,796,858).

Claim 19 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) being un-patentable due to Suzuki (US 6,612,488 of the record), Piosenka et al (US 4,993,068), Schneier et al (US 5,768,382), Simonds (US 2002/0023027, of the record) & Quimet et al (US 6,823,317).

Claim 22 IS rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) being un-patentable due to Suzuki (US 6,612,488 of the record), Piosenka et al (US 4,993,068), Schneier et al (US 5,768,382), Simonds (US 2002/0023027, of the record) & Alice (US 2003/ 0055738).

Applicant respectfully submits that teachings of Suzuki, Piosenka et al & Schneier et al when combined together are non-obvious to a person skilled in the art. Further, if combined together, they also fail to teach a local authentication mechanism as explained in the present invention.

The Applicant, therefore, amends claim 1 to emphasize that the present invention does not rely on remote hosts or remote third party to validate an authentication. This makes the invention unique. No remote access control sites are required to operate the present invention. The functionality of the present invention and mechanism of achieving it are different than what is taught in Suzuki, Piosenks and Schneier. Please note that the usage of central computer is not mandatory in the present architecture, and this permits the present invention to be unique due to non-reliance on central computing. The present invention can work in a centralized and decentralized combined together, into different security architectures and policies.

As the Applicant has amended independent claim 1, the depended claims would change accordingly and the same reasoning for allowance would apply to the depended claims also.

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In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application and the claims therein are believed to be in condition for allowance without any further examination and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (561)674-2755.

If any extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) are required in order for this submission to be considered timely, Applicant hereby petitions for such extensions.

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